Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hampton Waller S17182

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State of Virginia – Nottoway County (SS)

On the first day of January 1835 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the County of Nottoway and now sitting Hampton Waller Resident of said County aged seventy-two years next July who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision may by the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he was drafted in a militia tower [tour] in the Revolutionary Wars in the month of November 1780 and marched from the County of Amelia in a Company Commanded by Captain Charles Irby and Lieutenant Peter Robertson to Cabin Point and from that to Smithfield where we were stationed some time and from that to Suffolk where we were discharged after serving 2 months and 15 days the officers are all now dead and I do not know of any person by whom I can prove my services or discharge in this tower.

And on the 28th of February 1781 he was drafted in a Militia tower and marched from the County of Amelia in a Company Commanded by Captain Ogleby [probably Captain Richard Oglesby] the into North Carolina and on the 15th of March 1781 he was in the battle at Guilford Courthouse North Carolina and after the battle we were marched to Hillsboro and from that to Deep River where we were discharged after serving nine weeks but he does not recollect by whom he was discharged, the Evidence of which will appear from the Accompanying Certificate of John Leath – And on the 15th of August 1781 he was marched from the County of Amelia in a Company Commanded by Captain Freeman Epes to Mimmses Ferry on James River And from that to Yorktown and remained there during the Siege and after the Surrender of Cornwallis on the 19th of October 1781 we were marched up to Williamsburg and discharged having served two months and ten days and that he never served in any other capacity than that of a common soldier and in answer to the different interrogatories prescribed by the War Department he answers thus –

Quest. 1 & 2 Where and in what year were you born

Answer: Agreeable to a Register kept by my Father I was born in that part of Amelia County now called Nottoway on the 7th of July 1763

Question 3. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live

Answer. I lived in that part of the media now called Nottoway and lived there now

Question 4. How were you called into service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute

Answer. I was drafted in every case

Question 5 State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you

fn29VA 7/30/11 served such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the General Circumstance of your service

Answer. We were commanded by General Green [Nathanael Greene] and Lawson at Guilford. And at York General Washington & Lafayette and a Number of others as to the different regiments I cannot say much about them.

Question 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the Service & if so by whom was it given Answer – I received no written discharge in either case but were mustered out and discharged Question 7 State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a Soldier of the Revolution

Answer I am known in my present neighborhood by Captain Edward J. Jeffress & Major Hezekiah Anderson

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Hampton Waller

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[Edward J Jeffress and Hezekiah Anderson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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John Leath of the County of Nottoway and State of Virginia do hereby certify that Hampton Waller of the County of Nottoway and State of Virginia (now Applicant) was drafted in a militia tower sometime in the month of February 1781 and marched in Company with me in a Company commanded by Captain Oglesby to North Carolina and on the 15th of March 1781 we were in the battle at Guilford Courthouse North Carolina and after the battle we were marched to Hillsboro and from that to deep River where we were discharged after serving a tower of 9 weeks but by whom we were discharged he does not at this time recollect. Given under my hand this 18th day of December 1834

S/ John Leath, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.11 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months and 28 days service as a private in the Virginia militia.]